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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with October 29, 2008 on Douglas Hanscom.

2. Claim 18 has been amended to read:

A rotogravure printing unit comprising:

a rotogravure printing cylinder having a printing cylinder barrel with a printing cylinder barrel surface having a printing cylinder barrel length;

an inking unit cooperating with said printing cylinder;

at least three inking rollers in said inking unit ,each one of said inking rollers having a roller barrel with a roller barrel surface and a roller barrel length, said roller barrel length of each of said at least three inking rollers being less than said printing cylinder barrel length, said at least three inking rollers being staggered in said inking unit with respect to said printing cylinder, and each said roller barrel surface being directly engageable with said printing cylinder barrel surface;

holding assemblies supporting each of said at least three staggered inking rollers in said inking unit for independent movement relative to said printing cylinder; and

a common ink trough in said inking unit, each of said at least three staggered inking rollers dipping into said common inking trough and directly applying ink from said ink trough to

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said printing cylinder barrel surface, each of said at least three staggered inking rollers being separately height adjustable in said common ink trough.

- 3. Claims 19, 21, 26, 30 and 31 are cancelled.
- 4. In claim 22, the recitation --claim 19-- has replaced --claim 18-- and a change in the dependency of the claim should be noted.
- 5. Claim 33 has been amended to read:

The rotogravure printing unit of claim 18,

wherein L12, L13 and L14 are said roller barrel lengths of said at least three staggered inking roller barrels;

wherein L06 is said. printing cylinder barrel length;

wherein N is a whole number equal to, or greater than 3; and

wherein L12, L13, L14 =
$$\frac{1.1 \times L06}{N}$$
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Allowable Subject Matter

- 6. Claims 18, 20, 22-24, 27-29 and 32-33 are allowed.
- 7. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: As amended, claim 18 overcomes the rejection set forth in the previous non-final rejection. In its amended form, claim 18 is distinguished from the prior art of record and any obvious combination thereof in so far as it possess staggered inking rollers all inking a portion of a rotogravure forme cylinder with the inking rollers being adjustable in height in an inking trough and adjustable in position relative to the printing cylinder.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue

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fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for

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Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to DAVID BANH whose telephone number is (571)270-3851. The

examiner can normally be reached on M-Th 9:30AM-8PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

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October 24, 2008

/Daniel J. Colilla/ **Primary Examiner**

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